

GERMANY FORCED WAR BY ACTIVITY IN ORIENT, SAYS JAPAN'S RESCRIPT

Mikado Expresses Hope for Early Peace Through Victory of His Army and Navy; America Further Assured That Pledges Will Be Kept; Tokio Crowds Cheer Military Chiefs.

War between Japan and Germany was formally declared by Japan yesterday evening at six o'clock, Tokio time. The first word came to Honolulu in an official despatch from the foreign office to Consul Eleve Arta, who thereupon issued the following notice:

"The Japanese Consulate has this day received a cablegram from our foreign office through the Japanese Embassy at Washington stating that no answer having been given to the ultimatum of Japan to Germany within the time limit, Japan found herself in the state of war with Germany, on August 23 at noon, Tokio time, and further that she declared war against Germany at six o'clock the same evening."

TOKIO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—That Germany, because of her warlike preparations at Kiaochow and her determination to upset the peace of the Orient and interfere with the commerce of Japan, forced Japan into declaring war is the gist of an Imperial rescript published yesterday, declaring war.

"Since the outbreak of the present war in Europe, with its calamitous effect upon the world which we view with grave concern, we on our part had entertained hopes for preserving the peace in the Far East by the maintenance of a strict neutrality," says the rescript. "But," it adds, "Germany busied herself with warlike preparations at Kiaochow, threatening our commerce and that of our ally and thus put into jeopardy the peace of the Orient."

After further reviewing the circumstances leading up to the necessity for war, the rescript says: "It is with profound regret, therefore, and in spite of our ardent devotion to the cause of peace, that we are compelled to declare war."

HOPES FOR EARLY PEACE.

Concluding, the words of the Mikado are: "It is our earnest wish that through the loyalty and valor of our faithful subjects peace may soon be restored with the glory of the Empire enhanced."

The formal declaration of war was received with enthusiasm by the populace of Tokio. Yesterday there were cheering crowds before the foreign office, the navy department and the war office, while last night a monster lantern parade was held, hundreds of thousands taking part in the great parade or cheering it as it passed. The transparencies carried by the marchers, in many instances, bore war mottoes and sentiments of loyalty to the Mikado and to the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

Ambassador von Rex will leave for either Seattle or San Francisco this week. If he decides to go to San Francisco, as is probable, he will sail by the American liner Manchuria. Ambassador Guthrie has been requested to look after German interests during the hostilities.

A special session of the diet has been called for September 3, when emergency appropriations will be asked for by the government and other legislations necessitated by the war enacted.

It is generally understood that Austria will keep out of the war in the Orient and the foreign office here will remain on friendly terms with the Austrian representatives and the Austrian home government unless the latter adopts an offensive attitude.

CESSION TO AMERICA UNLIKELY.

It is reported here that Germany is making an effort to turn over the German railroad interests in the Shantung Peninsula to the United States, but it is not thought possible that the latter will consent to the German proposals. This railroad connects Tsingtau with Tai-chowang on the south; with Tengchow on the Pacific Gulf, and with Tsinan on the west and is the means of securing German commercial supremacy in the peninsula.

Government officials are highly pleased with the attitude of strict neutrality taken by President Wilson and see no reason why the United States should become involved in the Far Eastern controversy in any way. The Tokio newspapers, however, express surprise at the extent of American suspicion of Japan's motives in going to war.

Premier Count Okuma, in a statement yesterday, says that the evidence which will come out regarding Japan's actions will show that Great Britain requested Japan's assistance and has approved her entire program, which was adopted in consultation with Great Britain. Her attitude is well understood in China and has the approval of Peking.

HAS FAITH IN PREMIER'S PLEDGE.

Hon. Saburo Shimada, one of the very prominent statesmen of Japan and one of the leaders of the opposition in the Japanese Parliament, in an address made at Karuzawa Kyu yesterday, said that he believed in the good faith of the government when the Premier pledged his word that Japan has no intention of capturing Tsingtau for the benefit of Japan and for permanent occupation by Japan. He asserted that Japan's policy is founded upon her desire to prevent another uprising in China. "Should Japan retain Kiaochow after we have taken it from the Germans, it would mean that there would at once arise the danger of another Chinese revolution, which would incur for us the disfavor of the United States, and this we do not wish to incur."

Mr. Shimada said that Japan was appreciative of the contribution of Germany to the civilization and advancement of the Japanese, but Japan is resentful of the fact that it was the Kaiser who first raised the cry of "the yellow peril" and who depicted with his brush the figure of Germany with flaming sword defending Europe against the "hordes of Asia." In addition, it was Germany which directed the combination that ousted Japan from Port Arthur, after she had won it by force of arms from China in 1905.

FORESTALLED BY ULTIMATUM.

A Peking despatch reports that the German minister to China and the Chinese foreign minister were about to sign a new agreement respecting Tsingtau when the Japanese ultimatum and her declaration to call a halt in the negotiations to await the outcome of the affair.

Other despatches say that President Yuan Shih-kai is satisfied with Japan's attitude and pledges in the matter.

Cruiser Leipzig Skims by Merchant Vessel in Dark

SAN FRANCISCO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Commercial Pacific Cable)—Officers of the steamer Washtenaw, which arrived here today from Eureka, say their vessel was nearly run down Saturday night by the German steamer cruiser Leipzig eight miles off shore opposite Point Arena. The second mate of the Washtenaw says his signals were disregarded by the warship, which continued to bear down upon the merchant steamer and passed so close that a line could have been passed from one vessel to the other.

The Washtenaw is an American steamer engaged in Pacific Coast trade.

German Ships Given Time to Quit Japanese Ports

TOKIO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Commercial Pacific Cable)—Although a formal declaration of war against Germany has been launched from Tokio, German shipping in Japanese ports will not be seized at once, an imperial ordinance having been issued yesterday which gives this shipping fourteen days' grace. The ordinance provides that German ships may have until September 5 to discharge their cargoes and sail for points of safety under their passports.

AUSTRIAN WARSHIP TO INTERNE.

The Austrian cruiser Kaiserin Elizabeth, which sailed from Yokohama for Kiaochow upon the opening of European hostilities, is now reported to have left the German port and is sailing for some unknown neutral port, with the probable intention of disarming and being interned for the war. This is being done, it is believed, to prevent complications in the Orient, whereby Austria may also be embroiled with Japan. Should the Kaiserin Elizabeth stay at Kiaochow and be subjected to bombardment by the Japanese battleships, complications would be unavoidable.

DISARMAMENT ORDERED.

LONDON, August 24.—(Associated Press by Commercial Pacific Cable)—An official press bureau despatch announces that Austria has ordered the Kaiserin Elizabeth to disarm.

Japanese Empire Has \$50,000,000 War Fund

SAN FRANCISCO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Commercial Pacific Cable)—Japanese Consul Numano received a private despatch today stating that Japan will be able to conduct war operations without floating a war loan as \$50,000,000 is available for immediate expenditures for war purposes.

IDZUMO'S COMMANDER NOTIFIED.

Consul Numano said he had notified the commander of the Japanese cruiser Idzumo, which sailed from this port early yesterday conveying the liner Shinyo Maru, that war had been declared by Japan. He admitted that at the time notification was sent to the warship she was 400 miles from San Francisco.

Shinyo Maru Sails Convoyed by Idzumo

SAN FRANCISCO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The Shinyo Maru sails for Honolulu and the Orient this morning, under convoy of the cruiser Idzumo.

Japanese Suspected of Killing Artist at Carmel Is Arrested.

CARMEL, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The body of Helena Woods Smith, an artist, was found yesterday buried in sand, with a cord drawn tightly around the neck, about a mile from her home in this city. The discovery was made by Frederick Bechtold, the author, George Kofani, a Japanese youth, is in jail on suspicion of being the murderer.

The dead girl had been missing a fortnight.

LONDON, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The Leyland line steamer Canadian was in a collision with an unnamed vessel yesterday off the southwest coast of Ireland. Tugs were sent to her assistance from Queenstown. The Canadian carried a cargo of sugar and wheat, but no passengers.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The transport Buford sailed for Galveston and the American-Hawaiian line steamer Honolulu for Philadelphia via the Panama Canal yesterday.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The schooner Pasadena was burned and sunk at the dock yesterday. The deck cargo of lumber was removed while the vessel was on fire.

PHEASANTS REPORTED NUMEROUS ON MAUI

Pheasants are becoming numerous in almost all parts of Maui, according to reports which have been received by the board of supervisors, says the Maui News. In fact it is stated that in some sections the birds are causing considerable damage to planted crops. It is probable that no more game birds will be ordered in the future by the board. The last shipment consisted of forty pheasants, nineteen of which were liberated.

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Ancient Ceremonies Revived at Keauhou by Daughters of Hawaii

The ceremonies connected with the dedication of the memorial tablet to mark the birthplace of Kamehameha III were held at Keauhou, Hawaii, Saturday, August 15.

Her Majesty Queen Liliuokalani, attended by her chamberlains, Curtis P. Jansen and Mrs. Jansen and a delegation from the Daughters of Hawaii left Honolulu for Kona on the Mauna Loa, Friday, August 14. The ladies in attendance on the Queen included Mesdames C. S. Halloway, A. Ahrens, E. M. Swanky, E. Henriques, M. Reis, A. Wall, Carrie Robinson, Mrs. Keku, Mrs. Lucy K. Penholy and many others prominent in Hawaiian society. The Mauna Loa also conveyed the granite memorial tablet which was to be dedicated.

Met by Royal Canoes.

As the Mauna Loa entered Kailua harbor Saturday morning the steamer was met by a royal double canoe manned by rowers clothed in ancient feathered cloaks and leis of scarlet and yellow. The big double canoe was accompanied by a retinue of canoes filled with warriors in ancient costume. The stone was lowered into the double canoe, and the fleet paddled down the coast to the harbor of Keauhou.

In the mean time the Queen and her party landed at Kailua and were taken in automobiles overland to Thomas C. White's residence at Keauhou where breakfast was served.

Revival of Old Days.

The ceremonies attendant upon the landing of the tablet were an elaborate re-enactment of the ancient customs of the people. The stone was carried on a litter borne by twelve stalwart descendants of the warrior chiefs, each clad in costume emblematic of the rank and calling of his ancestors. A tent having been erected in which Liliuokalani sat surrounded by her high chiefs and her chamberlains, and from which she viewed the ceremonial.

Delegate to Congress, Joseph K. Kahanianole and his party were present, and the orator of the day was Rev. Stephen Deha. A very large concourse of Hawaiians was in attendance to do homage to their Alii. The dedication ceremonies were simple, impressive and dignified. After the conclusion of the dedication a luncheon prepared by the Kona people was served to several thousand who had gathered to take part in the celebration.

The Queen and her party went overland to Hilo and will return to Honolulu on the Mauna Loa this week.

HEAD LUNA PROMOTED TO PLACE OF MANAGER

Henry H. Perry, formerly head luna at the Union Mill, Koloa, is now manager of Halaewa plantation in the same district. He succeeds J. Atkins Wright, who has for many years managed the plantation, says the Hawaii Herald.

Mr. Perry has had much experience in cane cultivation and is considered to be a man well qualified to take the important post that he has been promoted to. His many friends are congratulating him on the position that has been given him.

The Kohala cane is reported to be looking well over the district and bumper crops are anticipated. Many of the plantations are running over their original estimates.

JAPANESE WOMEN OF MAUI END LIVES

Two Japanese women of Maui ended their lives by the suicide route last week, according to the Maui News. Sazuye Nakamura, aged 25, and wife of a clerk in J. Onishi store, Kahului, drank poison on Sunday evening, and died in great agony about 10 o'clock on Tuesday, medical skill being unavailing to save her. Despondency over money matters is given as the cause of the deed.

The other case was that of Matsuo Tannaka, wife of a laborer on the Paina plantation, who hanged herself with her obi from the rafter of her kitchen, early Wednesday morning. The woman arose about three o'clock to get breakfast for her family, and was found some time later, life being extinct. She was forty-one years of age and the mother of four children. Jealousy of another woman is said to have been the cause of the act.

A solemn high requiem mass will be celebrated at the Catholic Cathedral, Fort street, Thursday morning, beginning at ten o'clock, in memory of the late Pope Pius X. The cathedral building will have its interior draped in black for the occasion. The service will be a solemn one, and it is believed that the cathedral will be packed with Catholics.
Up to last night the local Catholic authorities had not received any official communication from Rome touching on the death of the late pope. This is unusual, as on former occasions of a like nature notice was received within a few days. The war now in progress over Europe probably accounts for the delay in the receipt of official notification by the local Catholic Mission from Rome.

TEETHING CHILDREN.

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IF THEY WANT TSINGTAU THEY MUST CAPTURE IT SAYS PORT COMMANDER

Germans Prepare for Stubborn Resistance in China; Washington Government Asked by Ambassador Chinda to Represent Japan in Germany; Idzumo Told War Is on.

TSINGTAU, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Kiao Chau, the former German harbor will resist the Japanese attack according to information sent out yesterday. The governor issued a proclamation that "if the enemy wishes Tsingtau he must come and take it." The Germans have been making every preparation to fight.

WASHINGTON, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The United States was officially asked to assume charge of Japanese interests in Germany yesterday. Baron Chinda, the Japanese ambassador, visited Secretary of State Bryan and gave formal notice of Japan's declaration of war against Germany. He repeated the assurances already received from Great Britain that Japan's naval and military activity would be confined to the Orient.

AMERICA IS SATISFIED.

The position taken by the American government with reference to the Japanese participation in the war, as announced in Secretary Bryan's note to Tokio last Thursday, has pleased the Japanese greatly.

President Wilson will make a formal declaration of neutrality today with reference to the hostilities between Japan and Germany.

RAILWAY SITUATION EXPLAINED.

In his communication with Secretary Bryan, Ambassador Chinda did not refer to the status of the German-controlled railroad at Shantung. However, it was stated at the Japanese embassy that Japan probably would be content with taking 200 miles of the line to Tsinan.

It is not expected that railroads between Tientsin, and Nanking will be molested because nominally these lines are Chinese property.

Mazatlan Leaves Port With Coal on Board

SAN FRANCISCO, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The steamer Mazatlan, which has been held in port while the destination of its cargo of coal was being investigated, sailed yesterday. Clearance was given the vessel by the collector of the port on receipt of telegraphic instructions from Washington. The Mazatlan was placed under a bond signed by local representatives of the German government to deliver the cargo to the port to which it was consigned.

French Shells Destroy Big German Dirigible

PARIS, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Zeppelin number eight, a German military dirigible balloon, was destroyed by French shells yesterday according to official announcement made by the French government. This is reported to have happened about twenty miles southeast of Luneville.

Emperor of Austria Reported Seriously Ill

PARIS, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—News was received today from Rome to the effect that Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria is seriously ill. The Havas agency denies the truth of the rumor, which is persistent however. It is believed the aged monarch is in a dangerous condition aggravated by the war.

Austrian Vessels Lost in Battle Says Report

ROME, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Important advices yet unconfirmed, to the effect that some of the Austrian naval vessels were lost in an engagement in the Adriatic Sea, were printed yesterday by the newspaper Avanti. This paper also prints an announcement that Greece has sent troops to aid the Serbians against Austria.

Forts Not Surrendered Says Belgian Minister

LONDON, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—A news dispatch by the Havas agency from Ostend quotes the Belgian minister of justice as saying yesterday that the forts at Liege and Namur have not surrendered. Some of the previous reports stated that these forts were holding out against the German attacks.

Report of Revolution in Caucasus Is Denied

LONDON, August 24.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Reuter's agency carries an official denial by the Russian government of the German reports of a revolution in the Caucasus.